thermometer at The Times office yesterday: 9 A. M., 64: 12 M., 64: 3 P. M., 64: 6 P. M., 61; 9 P. M., 56; 12 M., 50. Average, 59 5-6.

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RICHMOND. VA. FRIDAY. MARCH 22. 1901

JOHN R. WILLIAMS DIES SUDDENLY

Prominent Citizen Dies Just After Dinner.

HAD NOT BEEN SICK.

Stricken While in Fine Spirits and Soon Expired.

A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS MAN.

Came Here Soon After the War from Wales and Had Amassed a Considerable Fortune-Largely Interested in a Number of Enterprises. To Be Buried in

Mr. John R. Williams died suddenly at his residence, No. 906 Park Avenue, about 4:30 o'clock vesterday afternoon. He had been down town all the morning and had

just had dinner. Mr. Williams always regarded himself as a man of iron constitution. He did not wear an overcoat even in the coldest weather. He was a hard-worker, a man of very regular habits, and often remarked upon the fact that he had seldom experienced a sick day in his life.

Mr. Williams was down town yes

Mr. Williams was down town yesterday morning and attended to much business. He talked with Mr. Wirt A. Chesterman as late as 3 o'clock. He was later than usual in getting home for dinner. His family had dined. After he had partaken of his meal he went into the parlor, where his daughters and a visiting young lady were seated, and made some remark about having seen them on the street during the day. He left the room, as the ladies thought, to return to his office. Mr Williams, however, went into a room in the rear of his dwelling, and there his sen room discovered his in a dying con-dition. Dr. E. J. Moseley was sent for, but when he came Mr. Williams was dead. Heart disease was the cause.

HOW HE WANTED TO DIE. It was only a short while ago that Mr. Williams, in talking with his friend of many years, Mr. Wirt Chesterman, and commenting upon his excellent health, stated that when he should die he would like for the end to come without warning.

No arrangements for the funeral have been made, and will not be until Mr. E. Buckingham, reaches here. The interment will be in Hollywood, where Mr. Williams owned a section.

Mr. Williams was a member of Temple.

Lodge of Masons, No. 45 Royal Arch Chapter, No. 2 Commandery, Knights Templar, and of Acca Temple, Mystic Shrine. All of these bodies will probably turn out to honor the memory of their

deceased brother. SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

Mr. Williams was fifty-eight years of He was a native of Wales, and was age. He was a native of wales, and was a grown-up man when he left that country, with several of his brothers, soon after the war, and came to Richmond. He had received a good education. It was about 1868 when he arrived in this was about 1868 when he arrived in this city. His first business was a contractor for the Federal Government. General Albert Oraway gave him the contracts of erecting stone walls around several of the national cemeteries in Virginia. By industry, honesty in dealing with

his fellowmen and by practical business methods, Mr. Williams amassed a considerable fortune. Some estimate his estate, including his life insurance, which is quite large, at half a million dollars, Mr. Williams was the principal owner of the Buckingham slate mines, at Arvonia. He had a country residence there, claimed citizenship and voted in Buckingham. He was president of the Southern Trust Company, of this city; a director of the State Bank; a director of the company that recently purchased the Natural Fridge property; he owned the Williams building at the northwest corner of Ninth and Cary Streets; he was passessed of much real estate and recently purchased a number of lots in the West End. His home, on Park Avenue, is one of the handsomest on that lovely thoroughfare.

HIS FAMILY.

Mr. Williams and his brother, Evan, married sisters, Misses Hutchinson, of Richmond. He is survived by a widow and four children, as follows: Misses Lena, Bliss and Louise and Master John R. Williams, Jr. He has two brothers in Buckingham and one living out West. Mr. Thomas Williams, another brother, died recently. Miss Bliss Williams is at-tending school in Washington. She will arrive here this morning. Mr. Evan Williams will also be here early to-day-genial, whole-souled gentieman and devoted to his family. He was of a most sociable disposition, leved the society of young people and was a member and a fermer president of the Albemarle Club. His works of charity were many. There was, perhaps, no man in the city who was more willing than he to contribute his share to any movement looking to the promotion of the various interests

of the city.

Mr. Williams' death was a great shock to the community. Friends by the score flocked to his residence as soon as they learned of his death.

METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

Location Decided Upon Will Not Be Made

Known Yet. The Executive Committee of the Virginia Conference Orphanage met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. Hall, and after considering thirteen propositions offering sites for the orphanage, reached a decis-ion and instructed the local committee to offer a certain amount for a piece of property. The location decided upon was property. The location decided upon was not given out, and all that could be learn-ed was that the site was within easy reach of the city, situated upon a car line. It is believed to be in the vicinity of

Lakeside, or at least in that direction.

The report of Rev. J. T. Mastin, financial agent for the orghanage, was most encouraging, showng that his canvass in Nonfolk and Newport News was meeting with success. The site originally selected for the orphanage will be sold at an early date. This master, was also left with No. Lakeside, or at least in that direction. date. This matter was also left with the

champ, of the city, and Rev. J. T. Mas-tin, Rev. J. W. Bledsoe, Mr. W. H. Vin-cent and Mr. John P. Pettijohn.

LOVE LETTERS IN EVIDENCE.

Those of Defendant Read in the Coleman-Sanders Case.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

LANCASTER, VA., March 21.—When
the Circuit Court convened this morning, Miss Coleman, the plaintiff in the Coleman-Sanders breach of promise suit, took the stand and when court adjourned this afternoon she was still being cross-

examined.

A large number of love letters written to the plaintiff by the defendant was placed in evidence. They were of a very loving nature, in which the writer spoke of the fair plaintiff as "my dear little sweetheart," "my darling Gertie" or "my dear sweetheart Gertie," and usu-ally signed "your devoted lover, Rumu-

Miss Coleman, who makes an ideal witness, appeared in court heavily velled. A handsome diamond engagement ring and a watch, a gift of the defendant, were placed in evidence.

CONSOLIDATIONS BENEFICIAL.

Mr. Carnegie Thinks They Do Not Destroy Chances of Individual.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, March 21.—To an English interviewer, after his arrival in London, Mr. Carnegie talked freely concerning the United States Steel Corporation, which, he thought, would not affect Great Britain

much one way or the other.

Asked whether existence of trusts did not tend towards national bankruptcy or whether they might not prove a step in in evolution towards socialism, Mr. Car-

an evolution towards socialism, Mr. Carnegie said:

"The man behind the trusts is just as important as ever. Consolidations are the tendency of our age and will prove beneficial. The chances of Andrew Carnegie, if he landed a penniless boy in New York to-night, would be as bright as they were in 1848, and he would have even a wider field."

BURNED A VILLAGE.

The Insurgents Were Overtaken and Chastised. (By Associated Press.)

MANILA, March 21.—Insurgents have ttacked and burned the ungarrisoned illage of Ugius, in the province of South locos. A detachment of the Twentieth Infantry overtook and chastised the ma-

Colonel Schultz, of the Forty-sixth Vol-unteer Infantry, has captured eight in-surgent officers and 182 men at the village of Ternate, in Cavite province. erals MacArthur, Wheaton and reviewed the Twenty-ninth and Thirty-second regiments to-day.

Troops to be Withdrawn.

(By Associated Press.) PEKIN, March 22-2 A. M.-Count von Waldersee, General Barrow and General Wogack have been in consultation and General Wogack has agreed to withdraw the Russian troops from the disputed ground at Tien Tsin, provided the British also withdraw. Consequently the British and Russian

troops will be withdrawn at 5 o'clock this (Friday) morning, thereby avoiding all trouble at present. All danger of a collision between the

British and French is considered ob-

Naval Affairs.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.— Ligutenant Commander Niles, U. S. N., Igas been ordered to duty as inspector, in charge of the Eighth Lighthouse District. New Orleans, The battleship Kentucky, which is at Cavite, has been assigned to be the flagship of Rear-Admiral Kempff in the place of the Newark, which has been ordered home.

Breaks All Records.

BALTIMORE, MD., March 21.-The chooner Rover, Captain S. Henry Hodnutt, has made a record-breaking cruise. She loaded 190 tons of coal in Baltimore sailed to Norfolk, discharged her cargo, loaded 13,000 feet of lumber and returned, in all seven and a half Gays. It is stated in shipping circles that this

TWO PRESIDENTS BILLED TO MEET

McKinley to See Chief-Executive of Mexico While on His Tour of South and West.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21 .-President McKinley and his private secretary have been kept very busy since their return to Washington from former President Harrison's funeral. Congressmen have visited the White House extending to the President invitations to visit many cities in the South

It would be impossible, of course, for him to accept all these invitations. His private secretary, however, has decided upon a schedule which the President will do his best to carry out. On ac-count of the fact that the health of President Diaz, of Mexico, is so greatly improved, it is possible for the President of the United States and the Chief Exe-cutive of the lower Republic to shake hands across the border at El Paso. The President has informed interested parties that he will visit Los Angeles upon two different days and further will spend a week in and about San Fran-

It has also been decided that the Pres-It has also been decided that the President will accept the invitation extended to him to visit Seattle, Portland, Tacoma and from Salt Lake will journey to Duluth to make the trip by the Lake Route to Buffalo to inspect the Pah-American Exposition. This carries the President's journey to the South and West down to date.

His itinerary is subject to changes to meet the requirements of his southern

meet the requirements of his southern and western trip, but these changes will not be absolutely decided upon for weeks

READY FOR TRIAL.

The Thornton Ready for Her Official Trip.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 21.—The Trigg
Shipbuilding Company, of Kichmend, has
notified the Navy Department that the
torpedo boat Thornton will be ready for
trial on the 27th instant.

Members of the committee present were:

Mr. J. P. Branch, Mr. C. W. Hardwick,
Rev. S. B. Betty, and Rev. W. B. BeauThe trial will start from Annapolis.

REPUBLICANS TO MAKE FIGHT HERE

Have Practically Decided to Name Candidates.

MR. SWANSON GONE

He Leaves for Washington to Return To-Morrow.

MR. MULLEN WRITES LETTERS.

He Answers Messrs. Bloomberg, Royall and Moore-City Democratic Committee and Lee Democratic Club to Meet To-Night-Candidates for Convention Fork Up Primary Fees and Sign the Pledge.

It has been practically decided by the Republican leaders of Richmond to put up a ticket for the Constitutional Convention in this city.

The matter has been talked over at informal conferences held during the last

few days.

It is understood that City Chairman M.

M. Williams will in the next few days issue an address to the voters of the city, telling them the Republicans will put up a ticket and suggesting that all would like to see a contest between two sets of candidates in the general election, stay out of the Democratic primary. Among those spoken of as possible canddates on the Republican ticket are Judge L. L. Lewis and Mr. Jonas Mareuse.

The political pot, boiling briskly all day yesterday, had simmered down some by last night. Congressman Swanson, who spent the day with Senator Martin in organizing the former's fight for Governor, left for Washington last night to re-main until to-morrow. There were a few out of town leaders at Munphy's, but they said there was no political significance in their presence. Senator E. J. Harvey, of Patrick, was there, but he said he came over on private business. He said Mr. J. M. Hooker, Commonwealth's attorney of his county, would come to the conven-tion, and that Patrick would go for Swanson for Governor.

Mr. D. H. Leow, of Goochland, came

down from Louisa, where he attended Circuit Court yesterday. He said the action of his County Committee in recommending that no Democratic nomination mending that no Democratic nomination be made for the convention, was taken upon the advice of party leaders in the State and was not in the interest of any candidate. Hon. George Y. Hunley, of Mathews, came up with his little daughter to look after some private matters. He said he was not a candidate for the convention and preferred to return to the House this fall. He said Messrs. Stubbs, Catlett, Maryus Jones, J. Byrd Sears, J. N. Tabb, Judge Garnett and Judge Carlett were all being mentioned for the honor, but that the two former gentlemen were the only avowed candidates. men were the only avowed candidates.

Mr. Swanson has practically opened his State headquarters at Murphy's, and he and Senator Martin are expected to personally conduct his campaign from there.

"Well, Mr. Swanson, you are ready for the fray, I see," said the Senator to the Congressman by way of greeting when the former came into Murphy's lobby about 9 o'clock yesterday morning. "Yes, sir," was the answer, "I am here for business." About this time Sheriff Simon Solomon, who is one of the most active of Mr. Swanson's managers most active of Mr. Swanson's manage most active of Mr. Swanson's managers for the Third District, came up and after chatting for a while he and Senator Martin retired to one corner of the lobby to confer, no doubt, as to the situation in Henrico, and incidentally to the contest out there over the Democratic nomination, for the Constitutional Convention, the Senator leging an around advances of the Senator being an avowed advocate of the nomination of Clerk Samuel P. Waddill. Mr. Swanson said that he proposed to put up a big fight, with Richmond as his State headquarters, but he did not care at this time to give out any thing as to the details of his plans.

indeed had not yet been definitely determined upon.

During the day Mr. Swanson called on a number of his political supporters, and received many of them in his rooms from time to time. He went to the Capitol and had a long conference with Labor Commissioner James B, Doherty, who is also the new chairman of the City Democratic the new chairman of the City Democratic Committee. While the nature of the Committee. While the nature of the conference could not be learned, it is supposed to have had reference to Mr. Swanson's candidacy for Governor, Mr. Doherty peing naturally one of the leaders on the City Democratic Committee.

Secretary W. H. Mullen, of the Trades Secretary W. H. Mullen, of the Trades Council, sent letters to Messrs. Bloomberg, Royall and Moore yesterday in answer to their communications to the Council on the questions asked by that body. It is understood that Mr. Mullen will reply on behalf of the Council to the joint letters of the other candidates today. It will be recalled that the gentlemen mentioned above did not participate in the conference, they having previously submitted individual letters. The letters sent to Messrs. Bloomberg and Royall assettices. submitted individual letters. The letters sent to Messrs. Bloomberg and Royall assure them that their attitude is satisfactory to the labor people and express the hope that they will be elected, although no pledge of support is given. Mr. J. S. Moore received his letter late yesterday afternoon. Mr. Moore states that the letter is perfectly satisfactory to him in ter is perfectly satisfactory to him every way.

Only two of the candidates for the Con-Only two of the candidates for the Constitutional Convention have thus far deposited the fee of \$50 with Treasurer Tyler and formally notified the secretary of the committee of their intentions of running in the Democratic primary. are Messrs. Royall and Buford, and when are Messrs. Royall and Burord, and when they appeared yesterday they were re-quired to sign the following pledge, which will likewise be exacted of all the other candidates who enter: "To the Secretary of the City Demo-

cratic Committee;
"I announce that I am a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the Constitutional Convention from the city of Richmond, and pledge my support to the Democratic party, city, State and na-

the primary to be held on Thursday next. The ward superintendents will submit their reports and the judges and clerks will be named and the places for holding the election in the several precincts selected, it is not thought that any other business of importance will be transcrete.

The Lee Democratic and Social Club, of Clay Ward, will hold a regular meeting at No. 1010 West Broad Street to-night at 8 o'clock. All the candidates for the Constitutional Convention are invited to be present and make addresses for the club. The organization, while young, is in fine shape, and is growing very rapidly in

There is a big fight on for the Consti of Fluvanna and Goochand. The committee of the latter county met recently and recommended that the Democrats make no nomination. This has raised a great fuss in the ranks of the Gooch-land Democracy, and the followers of Col. W. B. Pettit in that county say the action of the committee shall not

The Fluvanna committee will meet to take some action at Palmyra next Mon-day, when it is said that Colonel Pettit will probably be endorsed for the Democratic nomination. The anti-Leake Democrats of Goochland are hot in the Democrats of Goochland are hot in the collar, and say it is an attempt to head off Colonel Pettit, who is the undoubted choice of a majority of the Democrats in the district for the convention. The fight will be watched with much interest, as Colonel Pettit has numerous friends all over the State, who believe he ought to come to the convention.

"I am out of politics and am looking strictly after my printing business," said Mr. Clyde W. Saunders, the well-known

local politician, yesterday.

No one doubts Mr. Saunders' good intentions, but those who know him will wonder if he can resist the temptation of taking a hand in some of the many contests that are now going on. He is recognized as Mr. Swanson's leader the City Demogratic Committee and in the City Democratic Committee, and will, no doubt, break his good resolu-tion when that body meets to formulate a plan for naming delegates to the State convention.

It was rumored in political circles yes-terday that outside influences were at work in the contest for the Constitu-tional Convention in this city and that those in charge of the campaign of one with the gubernatorial candidates were making overtures to combine with certain candidates for the convention. No one of the parties named in the rumor would admit its truth, but it was being

According to information from the south-west, there is hardly a doubt that Mr. H. C. Stuart will be the unanimous choice of the Democrats of Russell to represent them in the Constitutional Conven tion. Mr. Stuart is a wealthy cattle dealer and is regarded as one of the ablest laymen in south-west Virginia. He en-joys the confidence of all who know him and is exceedingly popular with all The Marshall Ward Democratic Club

will hold a public meeting at Corcoran Hall, on Church Hill, next Monday night; to give the candidates for the Constitutional Convention an opportunity to express their views on the various questions at Issue. Mr. E. C. Hicks is president of the club, and invites all the candidates and the public to attend the candidates and the public to attend Mr. J. S. Moore is out in a card de

and the type of the term of th James W. Gordon, a candidate for the Constitutional Convention, spoke to the mechanics at the Trigg Shipyards Wed-nesday during the moon hour. Mr. Gor-

don spoke about twenty minutes, his subject being the support of the em-ployer's libility bill. The address was enthusiastically received. Captain, John A. Curtis and Mr. W. L. to the men at Trigg ship-yards. They were listened to with marked attention as they told what they would do if sent to the Consitutional Convention.

The Clay Ward Actives will hold a public meeting in Belvidere Hall to-morrow night and hear the "other half" of the convention candidates.

The friends of Mr. James W. Gordon are enthstastic over his prospects for election to the Constitutional Convention. They have held several large meetings recently, and are in splendid shape for the final struggle.

GENERAL LEE SICK.

Confined to His Room With Severe Attack o the Grip. (By Associated Press.)

OMAHA, NEB., March 21.—General Fitzhugh Lee is confined to his room with a severe attack of grip. The attending physician says the General's illness is

Gilbert -- Dudley.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 20-Mr. John E. Gilbert and Miss L. E. Dudiey of Covesville, Albemarle coun-ty, were married this morning at 10:30 O'clock in the parlors of the Clemont Hotel, this city, the Rev. J. J. White, of Greene county, officiating.

BLEW THE TOP OF HIS HEAD OFF

A Boy Believed to Have Committed Suicide With His Employer's Gun

for an Unknown Cause. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

OLD CHURCH, VA., March 21.-John Martin, a youth nineteen years old, in the employ of Mr. Luther Hall, a farmer liv-ing near Old Church in Hanover county is dead with the top of his head blown off. No cause is assigned for his suicide, but the position in which the gun was found and other surrounding circumstances made those who saw the body reach the conclusion that it was premeditated. Mr. Hall went into the field with Martin and took his gun to shoot some birds. He left the gun with Martin and returned to the tional."

Mr. Royall, though an erstwhile strong gold man, did not hesitate to sign, and it is likely that all will affix their signatures to the paper, though several of the other candidates were in sympathy with the party as led by Mr. W. J. Bryan. The candidates have until noon to-morrow to sign the picific and put up their fees.

The City Democratic Committee will meet at Murphy's Hotel to-night for the purpose of completing arrangements for the purpose of completing arrangements for the conditions and returned to the house for some purpose. Returning he house for some purpose. Returning he house for some purpose. Returning he found Martin with the top of his head blown off and the gun in his clenched hands in a position that seemed to preclude the theory of accident. Martin was sober and no special cause could be assigned for the act.

Martin has no nearr relative than an uncle who lives near Old Church.

The bursal will take place to-morrow.

BAPTIST EDITORS WERE HIS GUESTS

Da Cintra

Mr. B. F. Johnson Entertains the Visitors.

A BRILLIANT AFFAIR

Spacious Dining Saloon of Jefferson Filled With Distinguished Guests.

GOVERNOR AS TOAST MASTER

Chief Executive of Virginia Presides and Many Able Addresses Are Delivered. The Musical Programme Most Unique - The Occasion Was a Most Enjoyable One.

The members of the Southern Baptist Press Association were the guests of Mr. B. F. Johnson, president of the B. F. Johnson Publishing Company, last night at an elaborate banquet given at the Jefferson. The large dining saloon of th Jefferson was well filled, covers being laid for about one hundred and fifty, embracing many of the leading educators, business and professional men of the city The musical programme was rendered by the Rees Philharmonic Orchestra, and was most delightfully arranged.

A most unique feature was introduced by Mr. Johnson and added greatly to the evening's enjoyment. The chorus choir of the Broadus-Memorial Bible School, of which Mr. Johnson is superintendent, was present, and to the strains of "Onward Christian Soldiers" the guests en tered the dining-room. Two other selections, "He Leadeth Me" and "America," were also well rendered. The chorus of some seventy-five voices, under the direc-tion of Mr. W. R. Murdőck, was accom-panied by the Rees orchestra, under the leadership of Prof. Rees, and the Zabo Band of sixteen pieces, under the direc-tion of Mr. J. W. Gentry. The Zabo Band is another musical organization connect-ed with Mr. Johnson's Bible school. This part of the programme, attracted much attention and was most favorably com-mented upon. The music was one of the features of the evening's pleasure. GOVERNOR AS TOASTMASTER.

Rev. Dr. R. H. Pitt, in a brief but ap-propriate speech, introduced the toast-master of the evening, Governor J. Hoge Tyler. Before introducing Governor Ty ler, however, Dr. Pitt voiced the asso ciation's thanks for the delightful enter tainment which had been provided and read a number of letters of regret from those who were unable to be present.

Governor Tyler responded in happy manner, paying a graceful fribute to the gathering and declared that, being a member of another denomination, he learning that all present were not Bap-tists, fervently said: "Thank God." Governor Tyler then introduced as the first speaker of the evening Dr. A. J. S. Thomas, Greenville, S. C., who responded to the toast "The Church." Dr. Thomas dwelt upon the great mission that the

church had to perform in the education of the youth and the establishing and maintenance of the moral standard of the people. He reviewed the great work that had already been accomplished and spoke particularly of the work of the His remarks were attentively listened to and elicited hearty applause. Dr. K. P. Kerr, pastor of the First Pres-byterian Church, responded to the toast, "The Children." He began his address by he relation of an incident which was thoroughly appreciated as was shown by the liberal applause. "The three great in stitutions of humanity are the family, the church and the State," declared speaker. Dr. Kerr made an earnest plea or the proper education of the child for its preparations, for its battles with the world, and declared that in the proper raining of the child lay the strength o

SOUTHERN COLLEGES.

Dr. Frederick W. Boatwright, president of Richmond College, was called upon to respond to the toast, "Tripartite Education," and at the opening of his address paid a glowing tribute to the company's host, declaring him to be one of the leaders in the cause of education and one of the foremost men in his calling of the country. In speaking of the educational facilities offered by the Southern colleges Dr. Boatwright declared that not one was devoting the proper attenton to physical training. "No longer should our college graduates be known by ther pale, sickly cast, as well as by their intellectual at-tainments," declared the speaker, "but there has been a great awakening among the Southern colleges. They are making the best of their conditions, though poor in endowment, yet a great work is being accomplished. Philosophy and science will prove no detriment to the man in the

the nation.

practical work of life." The speaker made a strong plea for the moral education of the youth and for the proper training of the youth in mind, body and spirit.

THE RELIGIOUS PRESS.

"The Religious Press" was the last loast, responded to by Mr. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, N. C., editor of the Biblical Recorder. Mr. Bailey drew the distinction between the religious and secular press, declaring that the former had as its mission the propagation of the truth, and the latter the dissemination of the news. He did not mean, he explained, by this comparison to create the impression that the newspaper did not give the truth as well as the news, but the mission of the secular press was to educate, in a general sense, while that of the other was to es-tablish and maintain a moral standard

and to instruct along religious lines. THE BOOKS WE NEED. Rev. Dr. J. M. Frost, of Nashville, Rev. Dr. J. M. Frost, of Nashville, Tenn., general superintendent of the Baptist Sunday-school Publication Society, was the next speaker. Dr. Frost was formerly pastor of Leigh-Street Church, this city, and has many friends in Richmond. His reception was most flattering. He responded to the toast "The Books We Need," and declared that the three great vector, the South so far as books were Need," and declared that the three great needs of the South, so far as books were concerned, were book factories, book writers and book readers. Dr. Frost spoke of the great need of proper books, and his criticism of those who opposed the library and attempted to depreciate the great work of the public library and similar institutions, elicited prolonged applause, and there was no mistaking the geniument, especially that of the Richmonders present.

AMERICA.

The patriotic togst, "Our Country," was responded to by Ray. Dr. Edward N. Cairmonders will less through Sunday.

isch, rabbi of the congregation of Beth Ahaba. As the subject was announced by the toastmaster, the orchestra struck up the familiar air, "America," and while the audience stood, Dr. Calisch proceeded to the speaker's place. Dr. Calisch made a most beautiful address and was frequently in the proceeded to the speaker of the speaker. The big latendary is the structure of the speaker of the speaker. interrupted by applause. In his introduc-tion Dr. Calisch reviewed the history of civilization, declaring that while civiliza-ton had its birthplace in the East, it now comes back to the land of its childland, but on an indefinitely higher plane of civilization. Glorying in all its marvelous achievements of head and hand and heart, the restless, throbbing spirit of the West comes to grapple with the stagnant con-servatism of the East. The presence of the allied armies of Europe and America on the soil of China lenotes a struggle, greater and more gigantic than appears on the surface. It is not merely a contest of arms, it is a conflict of creeds and thought as well, and out of it the victor shall emerge as the determining influence of the coming centuries of human civiliza-

"It is at this juncture that we can with reverent pride and gratitude look upon the position which our own beloved coun-try is taking in this crisis of human pro-gress. With the advent of the twentieth gress. With the advent of the twenther century she is ready to enter upon the struggle. With proud and certain step she passes through the opening portals of time's wide sweeping cycle; girdled with might, secure in the panoply of with might, secure in the panoply of righteous purpose and crowned with the laurel of her glorious accomplishment. What child of hers who can fail to apprehend the glorious destiny that awalts her? What patriot's breast that does not at the thought of it thrill with proud and buoyant hope? What heart in all this broad land that cannot with astrology of affection reach that destiny in the very stars of her beloved banner, the most restars of her beloved banner, the most re splendant constellation in all the firma-ment of national existences?"

MR. JOHNSON'S REMARKS.

The toastmaster then called upon host. Mr. Johnson, declaring that the evening's pleasure would not be complete unless he had been heard. Mr. Johnson replied in a highly interesting address. He reviewed his early struggles in busi-

He reviewed his early struggles in business here and continuing said:

THE BEGINNING MODEST.

"The beginning of our school-book business was almost as modest as the beginning of the subscription-book business years before, but as the purpose of the house became known many of our best people rallied to its support, and our business grew with remarkable rapidity. The phenomenal development and our business grew with remarkable rapidity. The phenomenal development of our school-book trade was due partly to the fact that we were the first to champion the right of our school children to books peculiarly adapted to their needs—books that would fittingly their needs—books that would fittingly recognize the achievements of our own people—books that would have regard for the physical and moral as well as the intdellectual needs of the child. In planning our readers, for instance, we determined that they should not contain a single trashy lesson, not a line to awaken a vile appetite, not a hint of the impure or vicious, no belittling of anything that is noble, nothing that is secrilegious or untruthful, "no pretty writing of doubtful tendencies. And we determined that they should not be sectional—that the authors should not be all grouped around Boston or New sectional—that the authors should not be all grouped around Boston or New York or Richmond or Charleston. We det mined that in them Southern authors should have fitting recognition, but we did not recognize Southern authors at the expense of the authors of other sections. In planning our histories we determined that prejudice should not be seen sticking out at very turn; that there should not be an unfair word in them: that there should not be word in them: that there should not be a scornful fling in them; that there should not be a bit of poison in them; that there should be nothing, but the truth in them. From the beginning we truth in them. From the beginning/we have contended for the right of the child to an all-round education, and in planning our text-books we had in view, as I have already intimated, the heart and body as well as the mind of the child. I believe that no system of education is complete that leaves out the peerless precepts of the Word of God. The young man who goes out into the world with man who goes out into the world with his mind stored with the teachings of the Bible is ready for life. I repeat what I have often said before, that one boy who has received an all-round training is worth, a dozen, yes a hun-dred, of the one-sided specimens of humanity that are turned out of some of our so-called educational institutions THE AID OF THE PRESS.

"In this great work which we have un-dertaken the work of quickenening an interest in the all-round education of our

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TIN BOX INDUSTRY TO BE ENLARGED

Hasker and Marcuse Manufacturing Company Absorbed by the American Tin Company.

The Hasker-Marcuse Manufacturing Company, of this city, has been absorbed by the American Can Company, of New Jersey, in accordance with the forecast made in The Times several days ago.

The American Can Company, which was recently organized with a capital stock of (\$8,000,000, is one of the largest concerns of the kind in the country and will take possession of the local company at once. The Hasker-Marcuse Company, which is now extensively engaged in the manufac-ture of tin boxes and tags, and which em-ploys five or six hundred hands, was started on a small scale years ago by the late Captain C. H. Hasker, of Church Hill, and the business was later purchased by the Messrs. Marcuse, who have made it a great success in every respect.

It is proposed under the new manage ment to retain all the present employes and to enlarge the plant from time to time and give employment to several hun additional hands. The enlargement of the business will be of material benefit to Richmond, the plant being advantageously situated, from a geographical point of view, for the handling of a great deal of additional business, the facilities for which will now be afforded.

WADDELL NOMINATED.

Chosen by Democrats as Mayor of Wilmington.

(Special Dispatch to The/Times.)
WILMINGTON, N. C., March 2L.—At a primary election held here to-day, Democratic voters showed their preference for Hon. A. M. Waddell, as mayor, for the

ally an election.

The twenty-fith annual convention of the North Carolina Young Men's Christian Association was called to order here

MOTHER KILLED HER SIX CHILDREN

on Her Own Life.

Then Made an Attempt

DETAILS HORRIBLE

Little Ones Were Knocked in the Head With an Axe.

DISPLAYS SORROW FOR DEED

It Was Done in a Fit of Temporary Insanity Though the Precaution of Locking the Doors Had Been Taken_Chie dren Ranged from Ten Years to as Many Months of Age.

(By Associated Press.)

COLD BROOK, MASS., March 21 .- Mrs Lizzie Naramore, while in a fit of insanity this afternoon, killed her six chil-dren at her home, a farm house half a mile from this village, and then tried to take her own life. The children ranges from ten years to a babe of ten months.

from ten years to a babe of ten months, and their lives were taken by the mother with an axe and a club.

She laid the blood-drenched bodies on the beds, two on one bed and the other four on a bed in another room, and then attempted to kill herself by cutting her throat with a razor. When discovered she was in the bed on which the bodies of four children were lying, and her recovery is doubtful. She cut a deef gash in her throat and suffered the losa of much blood, it is believed she will recover. Frank Naramore, the father, was

work at a saw-mill.

It is supposed the crime was committed shortly after noon, the discovery being made by George Thrasher, an employe of a grocery store, who visited the Naramore house about 2:45 P. M.

TOLD THE DETAILS.

He returned to this village and a party

He returned to this village and a party was made up and a hasty visit was made to the Naramore house. Mrs. Naramore was alive, but was very weak from loss of blood. Mrs. Naramore was removed to the village hotel and at a late hour to night the attending physician were doubtful whether she would live till morning. During the evening a number of neigh-

bors had a talk with Mrs. Naramore, and to them she told how she killed her six children. She said she took the lives in four different rooms, and as fast as she killed one child the body was placed in she first killed Ethel and then followed with the five others, each time taking the next eldest. Five were killed by being struck on the head with the back of an

axe, while little Lena was killed with a club. She says she fully expected the gash in her throat would cause her death. EXPRESSED SORROW. She appeared rational this evening and displayed signs of sorrow for the deed she had committed, although she is unable to give any reason for killing the

children When Mr. Naramore reached the house he was prestrated with grief. Each of the children had evidently received several blows, as their heads were terribly bruised and blood was spattered in all

lirections about the rooms Mrs. Naramore had evidently made pre parations for the deed, as the doors were all locked and barred with sticks of wood, The children were three boys and three girls—Ethel, ten years of age, the oldest, while the ages of Walter, Charlie, Chester. Bessie and Lena ranged from eig years to ten months, Lena being the

A FATHER'S DREADFUL DEED.

Kills His Three Children With an Axe for Ne Reason. (By Associated Press.) CLINTON, MAINE, March 21.—Jacob D. Marr, a farmer, living eight miles from this village, killed his three chil-

dren-Allee, aged thirteen; Elwin, nine, and Helen, seven-with an axe, shortly after the family had risen from the dinner table to-day.

The oldest daughter was washing dishes when her father struck her a single blow on the head, killing her. Mrs. Marr saw this and ran, serea to the house of her husband's father Samuel Marr. The husband apparently went up stairs to where the younger children were playing and struck each with the axe handle, killing them both.

When Mr. Marr. Sr., came in, the sink. He was asked why he had done the deed and he said:
"I don't know." Later he was placed under arrest and taken to Waterville.

SUMMARY OF TO-DAY'S NEWS

Local.

-Mr. John R. Williams des very sud-

-Mr. John R. Williams dies very guddenly.

-Baptist editors guests of Mr. Johnson at an elegant bunquet.

-Republicans preparing to put up convention candidates.

-Day of great activity in local politics

-Liquor dealers and others must pay more license tax this year.

-Hasker-Marcuse plant absorbed by the American Can Company.

-Manchester committee adopts plan fay primary. primary.
—interesting case to come before the School Board.

State. -The chief witness in the Westmore

and morder.

A youth blows the top of his own head of in Hanover.

A negro sets fire to a stable in Halifax and is shot to death.

Many endearing love-letters were read in the Coleman-Sunders breach-of-promise sult. is suft. The Company opens for business in Lynchburg.

— Man has his hand blown off by stick of dynamite near Roaneke.

— Two men killed in freight wreck near

-Mother in Massachusetts killed her six children with an ax and cut her throat with a razor. -A Maine father killed his three chil-

dren.

- Brutal murder in North Carelina.

- President McKinley and third executive of Mexico to meet.

The crisis at Tlen Tsin adjusted by both sides agreeing to withdraw troops.

The Pekin nevotations are progressing more hopefully.

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